

# TPE Kids To the moon!

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## Space adventure

Have you ever looked up at the moon and wondered what it would be like to travel there?

It was hard for most people to imagine until about 40 years ago. Then, on Christmas Eve 1968, three astronauts orbiting the moon sent back live video of the lunar surface. People on earth gathered around their televisions, watching and listening in amazement.

Astronaut Edwin E. "Buzz" Aldrin Jr. poses for a photograph beside the U.S. flag deployed on the moon during the Apollo 11 mission on July 20, 1969.



After describing the moon, the astronauts took turns reading from the Bible. The passage was Genesis 1:1-10, which starts with the verse, "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth."

The next summer, Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin became the first people to walk on the moon. They collected samples of moon rocks, took photos and set up an American flag. "That's one small step for a man, one giant leap for mankind," Arm-

strong said as he first set foot on the moon.

A lot has happened since those early days of space exploration. Every year scientists learn new things about the universe in which we live. Just as the moon is always changing — sometimes appearing as a small sliver and other times shining big and bright — the world keeps changing, too.

But there are a few things that never change. God's Word is as true today as it was 40 — or even 400 — years ago. And God is the same as He was at the beginning, when He first made the world and moon and stars.

When you read in the Bible about the amazing things God has done, you can be sure He is still able to do those things today. And you can know His great promises are as true right now as they ever were.

"Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows" (James 1:17, NIV).

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**Why did the man in the moon ask for the sun's autograph?**

He heard the sun was a big star.



**How do you keep your shoes tied in outer space?**

You use astro-knots.

## Moon Explorer

Find these words:

- crescent lunar rocket
- crater orbit gravity

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## Did you know?

The moon orbits earth at about 2,300 miles an hour.

The temperature on the moon can go from a baking 243 degrees to a bone-chilling -272 degrees Fahrenheit.



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